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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Katsuto SAKAMOTO *et al.*  
Serial No. : 10/649,953  
Filed : 28 August 2003  
For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING  
LOCAL FEATURES OF VIDEO, AND RECORDING  
MEDIUM STORING THE METHOD  
Art Unit : 2623  
Examiner : M. Dastouri  
Conf. No. : 7146

**AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
POB 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

16 December 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 16 September 2004 in connection with the above-identified application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

In accordance with the manner of making amendments under 37 CFR §1.121 as set forth in the Final Rule effective 30 July 2003 and revised in the Final Rule effective 21 October 2004, each section of amendment herein begins on a new page, and changes are shown by strike-through or double brackets and underlining to indicate deletions and additions, respectively. A complete listing of all claims ever presented in the application is given with the current status of each claim, and only the text of all pending and withdrawn claims is presented in full, with those not being amended herein being presented in clean version.